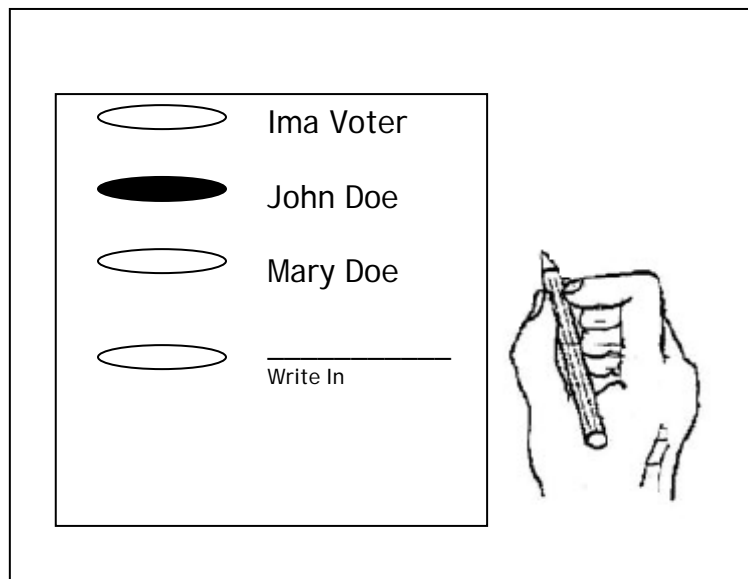


# How to Mark an Optical Scan Ballot

Santa Rosa County utilizes a precinct count optical scan voting system. This system is extremely voter friendly and makes voting simple and fast both in the precinct and for early voting. This is a brief description on the proper method to vote your ballot.

1. Simply choose the candidate or issue you wish to vote for and fill in the oval on the left hand side illustrated below.
2. If you are voting at the precinct or early voting, use the pencil or pen provided.
3. If you make a mistake, you should return your ballot and ask for a replacement.
4. If you wish to vote for a write-in candidate you must complete the proper oval and write the qualified candidates name in the space provided. If you list any other name it will not be counted.



5. Place your marked ballot in the machine and it is accepted.
6. If your ballot is returned to you, the screen will provide additional instructions.



This is the DS200 Tabulator. The large communication screen will alert the voter if he/she has over voted a race or under voted a race. The ballot will back out; and the voter will be given the opportunity to vote the under vote or go back and mark it; or if it is an over voted ballot they will be given the opportunity to get a new ballot.

If the ballot is correctly filled out the tabulator will take it and thank you for voting.

The ballot can be put in upside down, back side up, front side up, any way you choose.

There will be a pollworker available if you should need assistance.



To the right is the DS200 Tabulator attached to the tub that collects the voted ballots.



To the left is the Touch Screen iVotronic for the disabled voter. The ballot will be presented on screen or the voter can choose audio.

